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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Prior Art Unit: 2753

Application No.: 09/460,223 Prior Examiner: N. Hindi  
(Continuation Application of  
Serial No. 08/396,981, filed March 1, 1995)

Filed: MAR 10 2000 December 13, 1999

For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR  
OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESS



RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), dated January 10, 2000, submitted herewith are photocopies of (1) an Assent of Assignee to Reissue and (2) statements of the Assignee satisfying 37 CFR 3.73(b), from the parent reissue application serial no. 08/396,981.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication and/or fees required during the pendency of this application (or credit overpayments) to Deposit Account No. 19-4375:

- (1) Any additional filing fees or fees for presentation of extra claims required under 37 CFR 1.16; and
- (2) Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re the Reissue Application of

Naoyasu MIYAGAWA et al

ASSIGNMENT BRANCH

Original U.S. Patent No. 5,235,581  
(serial no. 07/740,629,  
issued August 10, 1993)

Reissue Application Serial No.: New Application

Reissue Application Filing Date:

Title: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESSES.

OFFER TO SURRENDER ORIGINAL PATENT

The Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned Applicants of the above-captioned Reissue Application for the reissue of Letters Patent for an improvement in OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESSES, Patent No. 5,235,581, granted to them on August 10, 1993, of which Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. is now sole owner by assignment and on whose behalf and with whose assent the accompanying application is made, hereby offer to surrender said Letters Patent. An Order for Title Report is filed concurrently with the filing of the Reissue Application, as required in such cases. The original Letters Patent will be forwarded to the Patent and Trademark Office upon notification that the Reissue Application is in condition for allowance. A soft copy of said patent is attached hereto for reference.

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Serial No.: Reissue Application  
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ORDER FOR TITLE REPORT

The Honorable Commissioner of  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please have a duly certified Abstract of Title of United  
States Letters Patent 5,235,581 granted August 10, 1993 to  
Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd., as Assignee of Naoyasu  
MIYAGAWA and Yasuhiro GOTOH, prepared and placed in the file of  
the above-identified application for reissue of said patent.  
The fee may be charged to Deposit Account 19-4375.

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### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

#### *Filing Date Granted*

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of  \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or  \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a  small entity (statement filed)  non-small entity is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

1. The statutory basic filing fee is:

- missing.  
 insufficient.

Applicant must submit \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

2. The following additional claims fees are due:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ total claims over 20.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ independent claims over 3.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

3. The oath or declaration:

- is missing or unsigned.  
 does not cover the newly submitted items.

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).

7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.

8. The application was filed in a language other than English.

Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).

9. OTHER: *See Keisler Notice*

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

***A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.***

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**REISSUE SUPPLEMENT TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING  
PARTS OF APPLICATION**

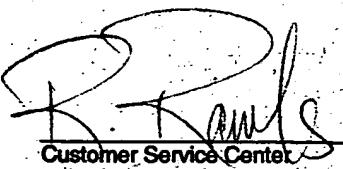
This Reissue Supplement is an attachment to:

- "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application" Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533)  
 "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application" No Filing Date Granted (PTO-1532)

The item(s) indicated below as missing must be filed within the period for reply to the attached Notice to File Missing Parts of Application to avoid abandonment.

The following items are required to complete the reissue application:

- Consent of the assignee is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that the reissue oath/declaration be accompanied by the written consent of all assignees.  
 Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

  
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